



WELCOME! In this Sunday morning series, we're studying verse-by-verse through the book of Colossians, one of Paul's letters to the early churches. It makes clear the supremacy of Jesus Christ, the one who is above all earthly struggles, relationships, and authorities — then *and* now. We're glad you've joined us in worship today!

Participate

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH
ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM, NEXT WEEK:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **LORD'S SUPPER, SEPTEMBER 20:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **CHILD DEDICATION, OCTOBER 4:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » **GIVE AT ANY TIME:** Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. *Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.*

- I. **Paul, Timothy, and the Colossians — Colossians 1:1–2**
 - A. Paul & his chains
 - B. Timothy, Paul's protege
 - C. The Colossians
 - D. Paul's reason for writing
- II. **The Faithful Response of the Colossians — Colossians 1:3–5a**
 - A. Faith connected to love
 - B. Blessed hope
- III. **The Transformative Power of the Gospel — Colossians 1:5b–6**
 - A. The gospel “which has come to you”
 - B. The fruit of the gospel
- IV. **The Leadership of Epaphras — Colossians 1:7–8**
 - A. Epaphras' evangelism: he first brought you the gospel
 - B. Epaphras' faithfulness: he is there to serve you
 - C. Epaphras' encouragement: he has told us of your faithfulness
- V. **Application**
 - A. A remarkable faithfulness
 - B. Self-examination
 - C. Encouraging others
 - D. Faith, hope, and love

Notes

CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS
IN THE SPACE BELOW

Takeaways

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » How might Paul open a letter to Grace Church?
- » What would it look like to be known by our love?
- » How does it feel when someone encourages you in your faith?
- » Who might you encourage this week?
- » What are you thankful for today?
- » How does hope connect with living the Christian life?



Fall
TWENTY TWENTY-SIX

- Full calendar published online
- Class sign-ups are now open
- **Community Groups available**



A new season of opportunities for you to grow in your walk with Jesus begins soon! The full calendar of everything coming in the month of September is available on our website and in the Church Center app. If you see something that interests you, sign-ups are now open.

Today we're highlighting **Community Groups**, our way of developing intentional relationships with others in your church family. Each group consists of a few people who are relationally invested in each other and regularly gather together in homes around town — where, when, and how often are determined by what works best for each group. Enrollment is now open for the fall semester!

To sign up for **Community Groups** or any fall class, scan the QR code above, click Sign Ups at the top edge of our website, or open the Church Center app on your smartphone to get started.

Learn More

WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: Calendar, news, and more info

WEBSITE: Find detailed info online at gracechurch.com

CHURCH CENTER APP: Stay connected and go paperless

